

A FIRST LADYBIRD BOOK OF

Nursery Rhymes





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Twenty-four of the most easily-remembered and well-loved rhymes have been selected for this First Ladybird Book of Nursery Rhymes. Young children will enjoy having these read to them, and seeing the attractive full-colour illustrations.

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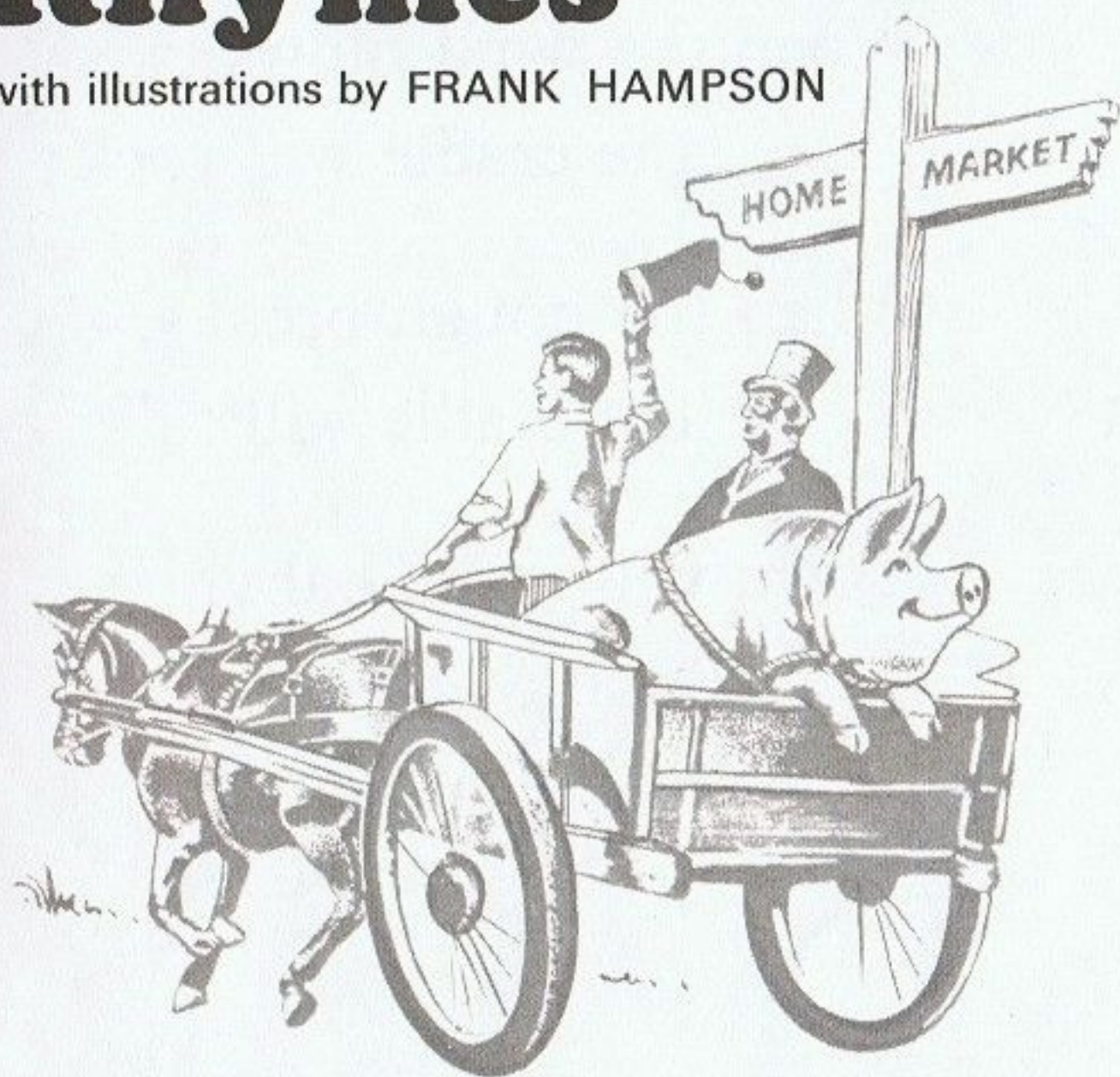
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Hush-a-bye, baby,
on the tree top,

When the wind blows,
the cradle will rock ;

When the bough breaks,
the cradle will fall,

Down will come baby,
cradle and all.



This little pig went to market,

This little pig stayed at home,

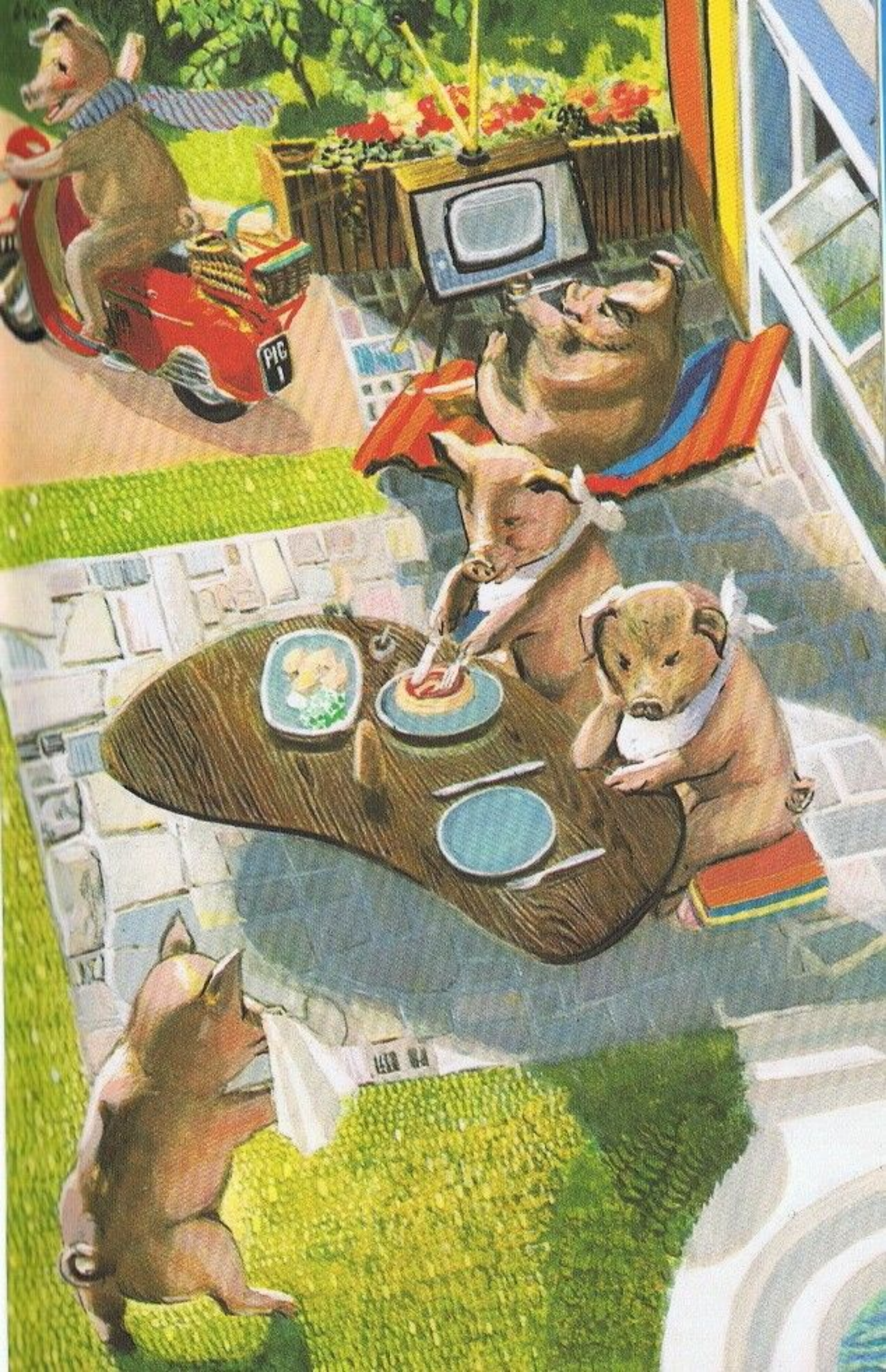
This little pig had roast beef,

This little pig had none,

And this little pig

cried “Wee-wee-wee,”

all the way home.



Little Bo-Peep
has lost her sheep,
And doesn't know
where to find them ;
Leave them alone
and they'll come home,
Wagging their tails
behind them.



Jack be nimble,
Jack be quick,
Jack jump over
The candlestick.



Little Miss Muffet
Sat on a tuffet,
Eating her curds and whey ;
There came a big spider,
Who sat down beside her
And frightened Miss Muffet away.



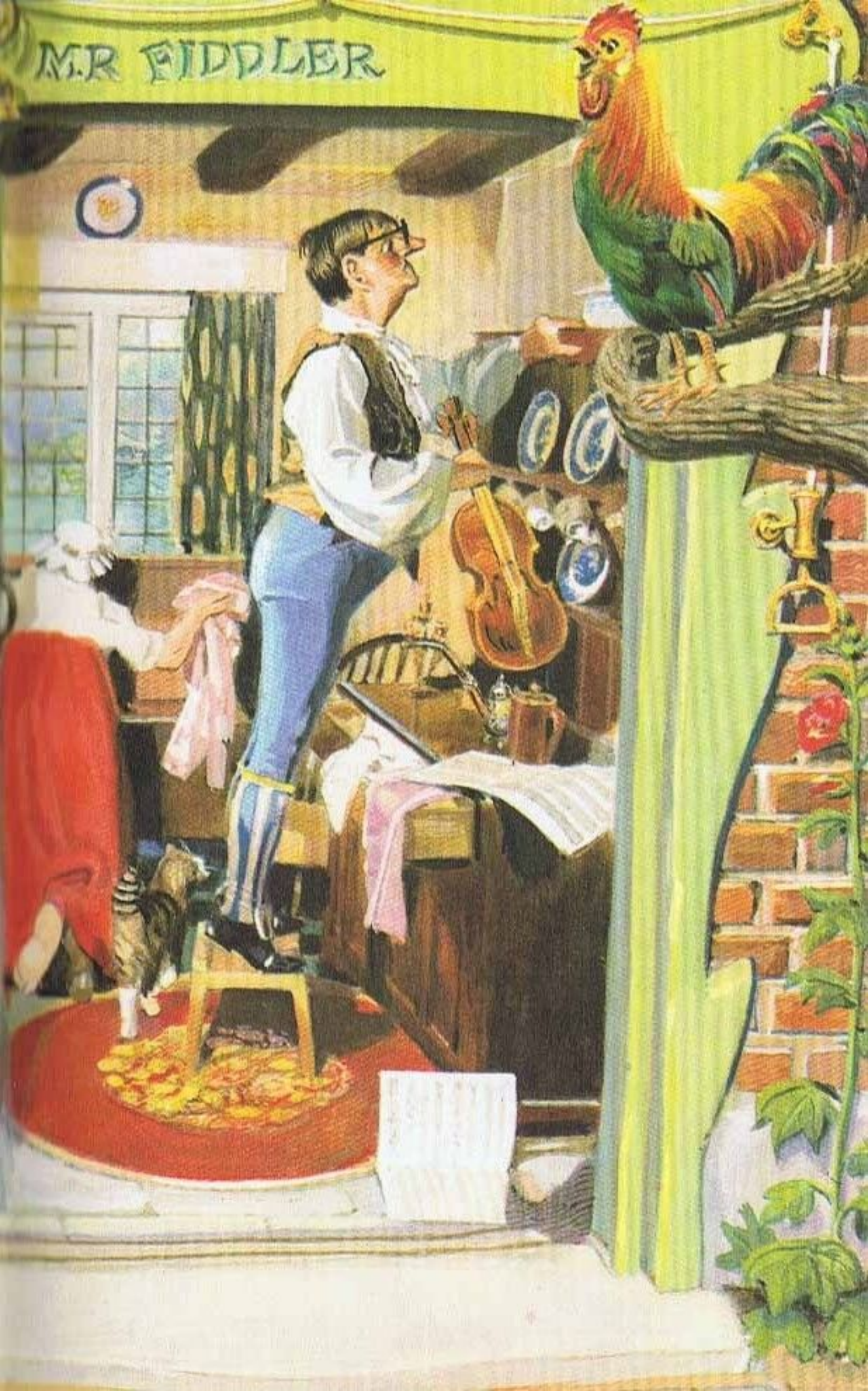
Cock a doodle doo !

My dame has lost
her shoe,

My master's lost
his fiddling stick,

And doesn't know
what to do.

MR FIDDLER



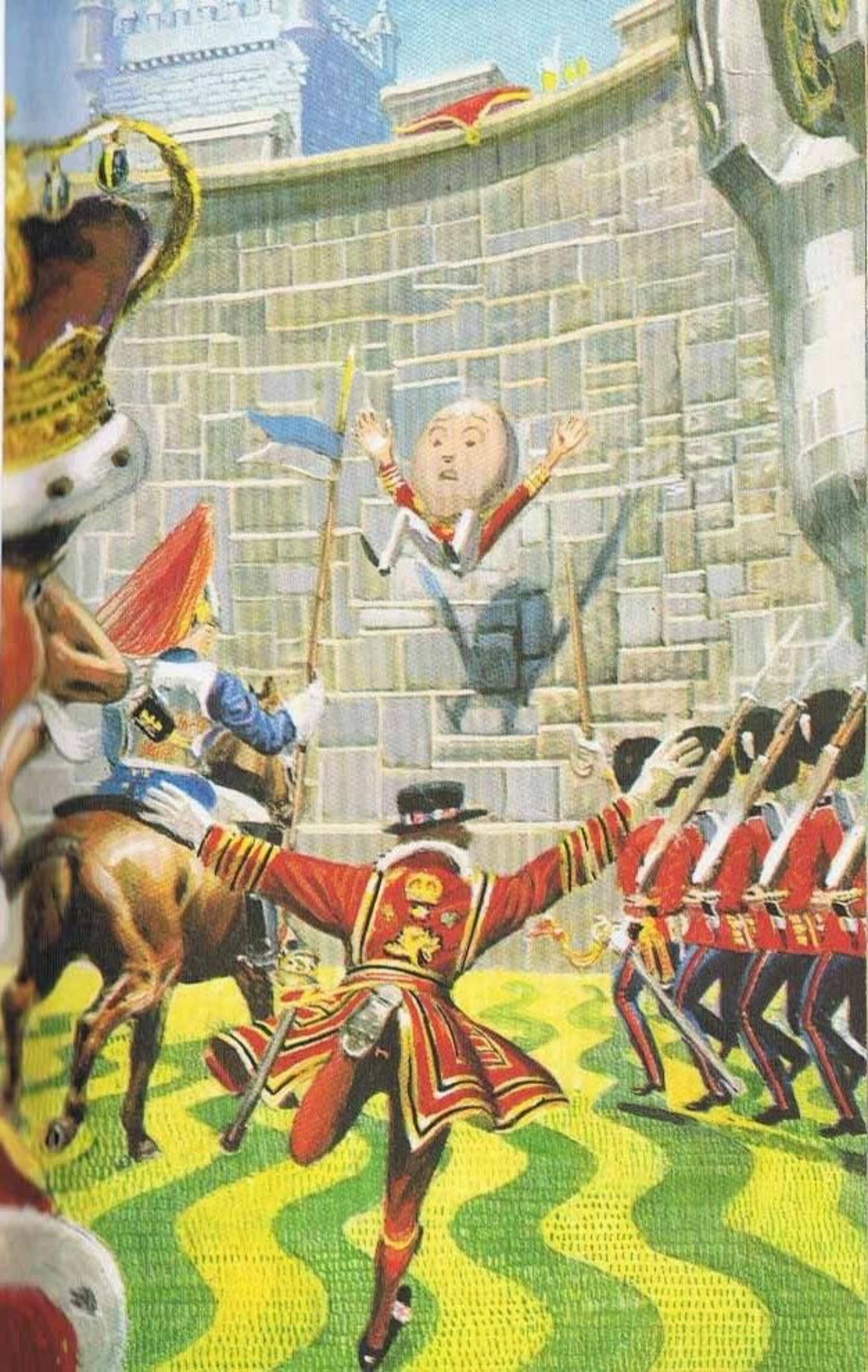
Humpty Dumpty
sat on a wall,

Humpty Dumpty
had a great fall,

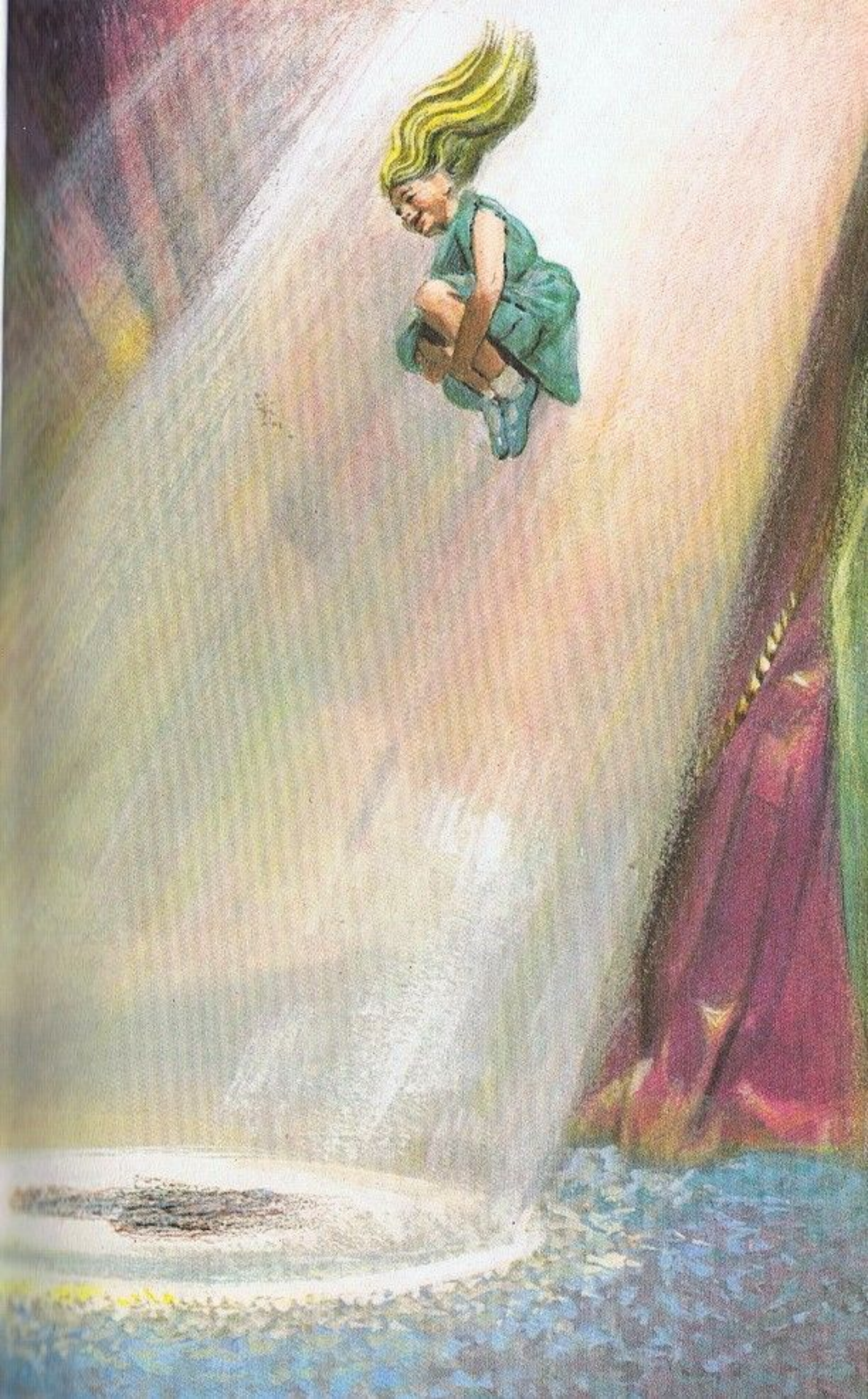
All the king's horses,

And all the king's men,

Couldn't put Humpty
together again.



Here am I,
Little Jumping Joan ;
When nobody's with me
I'm all alone.



Little Jack Horner

Sat in a corner,

Eating his Christmas pie ;

He put in his thumb,

And pulled out a plum,

And said,

“What a good boy am I!”

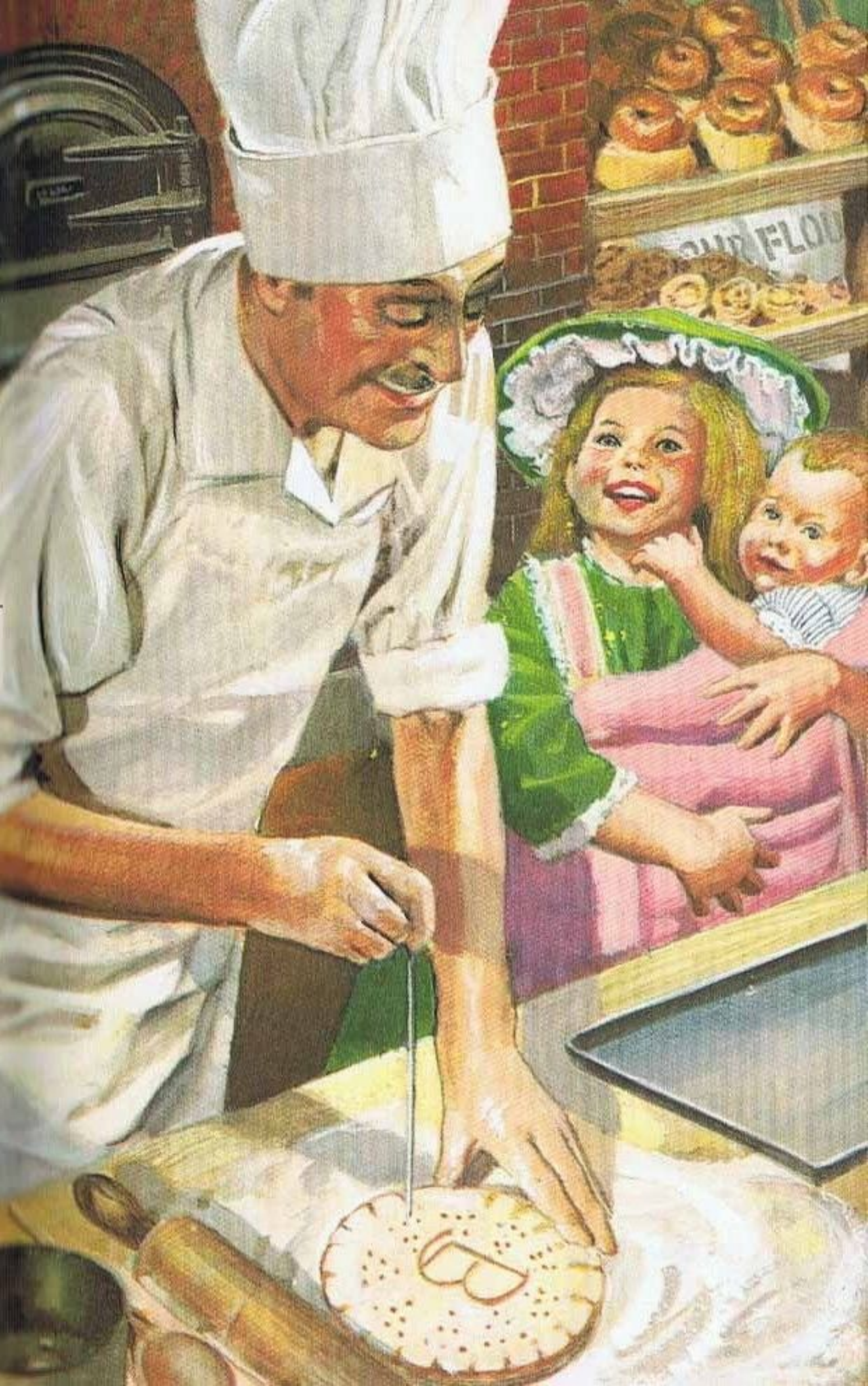


Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake,
baker's man,

Bake me a cake,
as fast as you can ;

Pat it and prick it
and mark it with B,

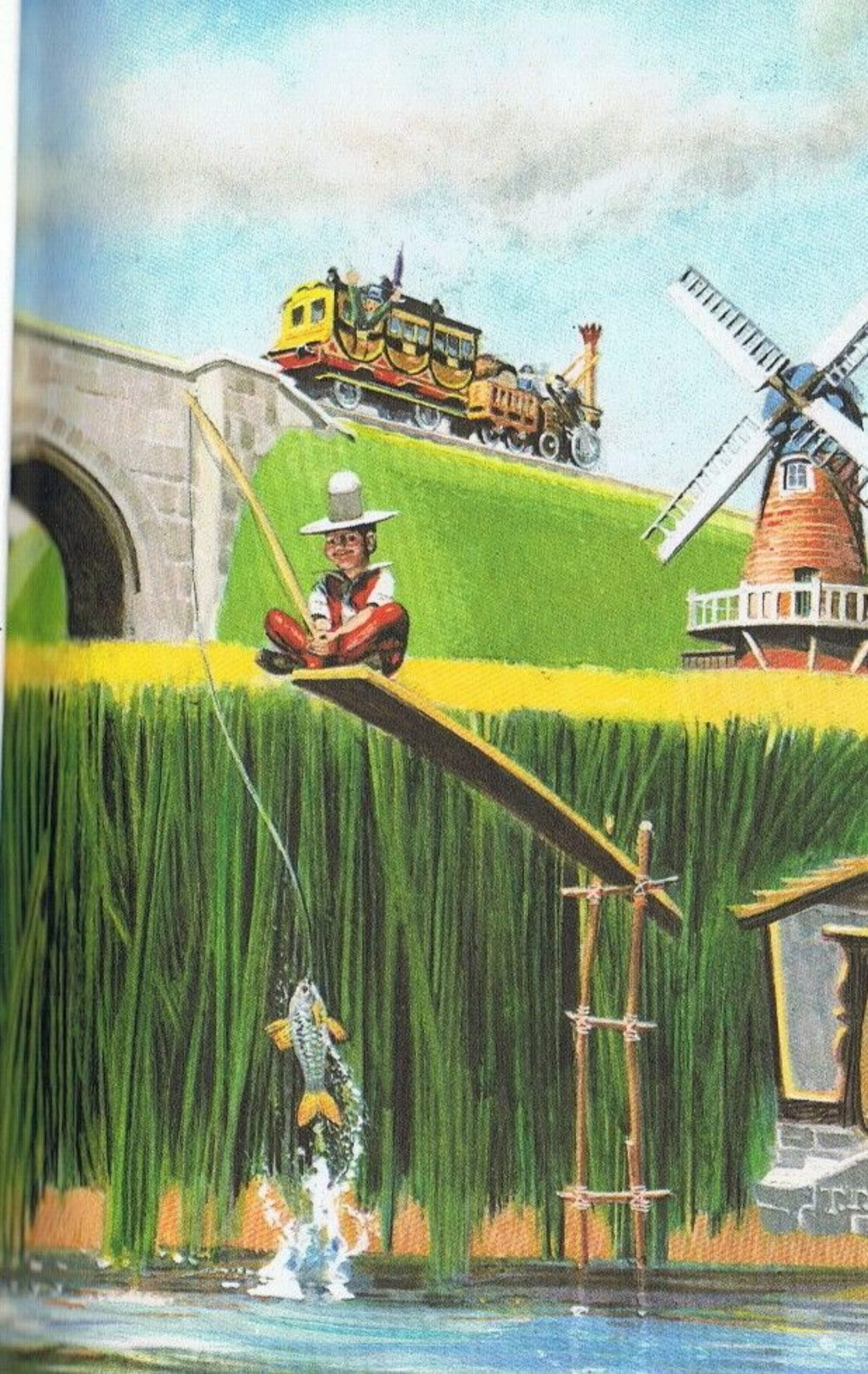
And put it in the oven
for baby and me.



Hickory, dickory, dock,
The mouse ran up the clock.
The clock struck one,
The mouse was gone,
Hickory, dickory, dock.



Little Tommy Tittlemouse
Lived in a little house ;
He caught fishes
In other men's ditches.

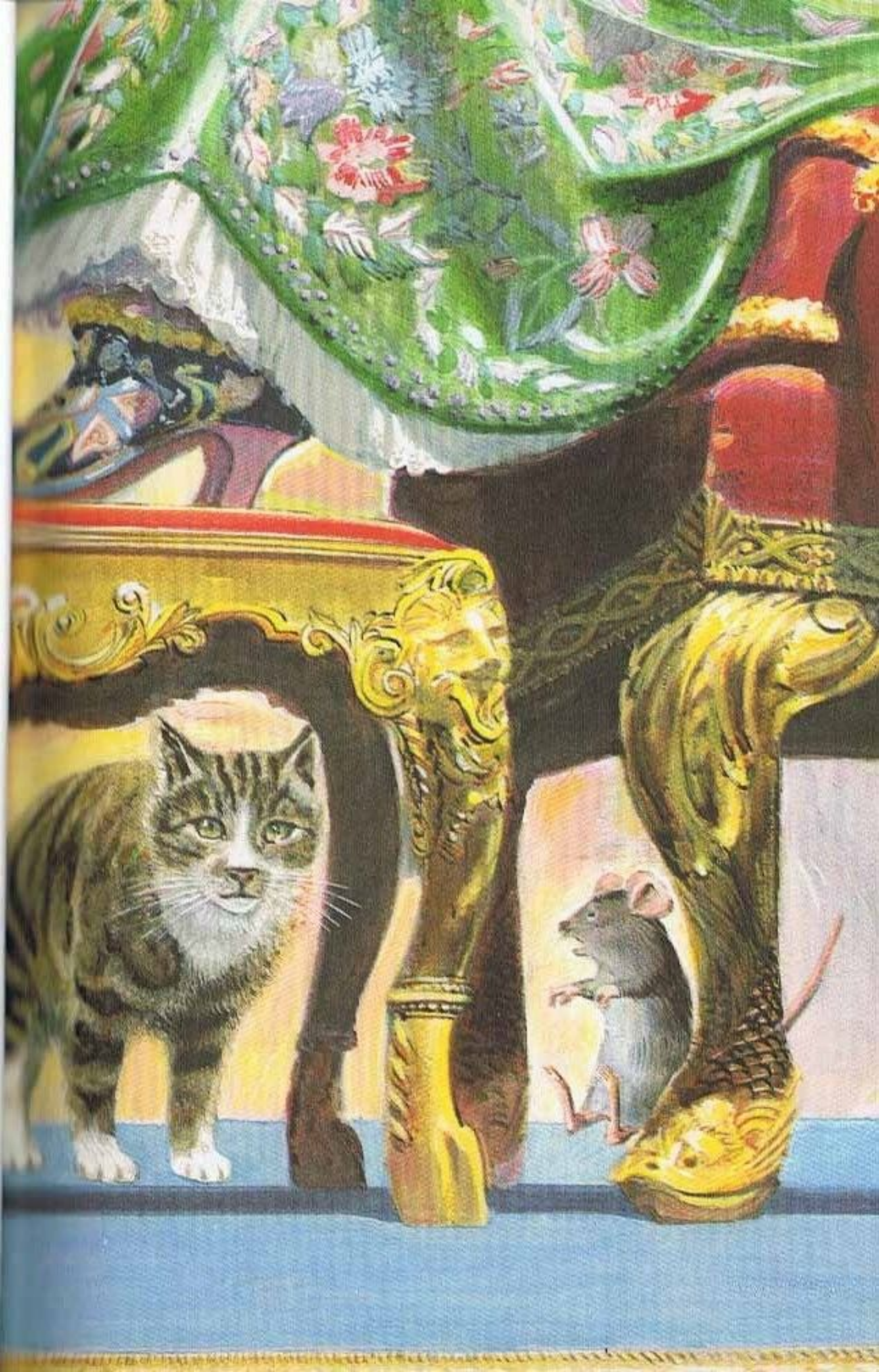


Pussy cat, pussy cat,
where have you been ?

I've been to London
to look at the queen.

Pussy cat, pussy cat,
what did you there ?

I frightened a little mouse
under a chair.



Georgie Porgie,
pudding and pie,
Kissed the girls
and made them cry ;
When the boys came
out to play,
Georgie Porgie ran away.

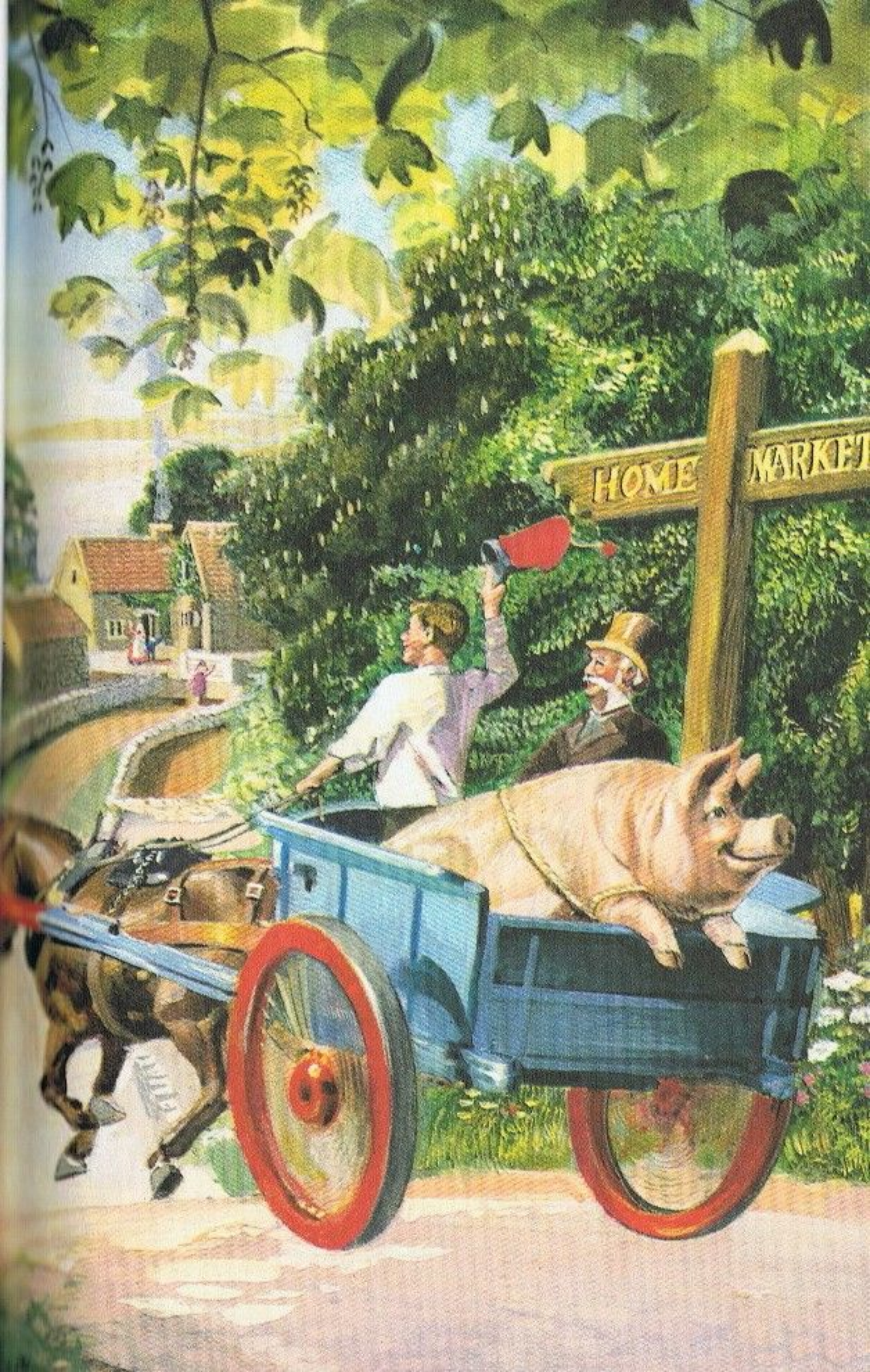


To market, to market,
to buy a fat pig,

Home again, home again,
jiggety-jig ;

To market, to market,
to buy a fat hog,

Home again, home again,
jiggety-jog.



Diddle, diddle, dumpling,
my son John,

Went to bed
with his trousers on ;

One shoe off
and the other shoe on,

Diddle, diddle, dumpling,
my son John.



Polly put the kettle on,
Polly put the kettle on,
Polly put the kettle on,

We'll all have some tea.

Sukey take it off again,
Sukey take it off again,
Sukey take it off again,

They've all gone away.

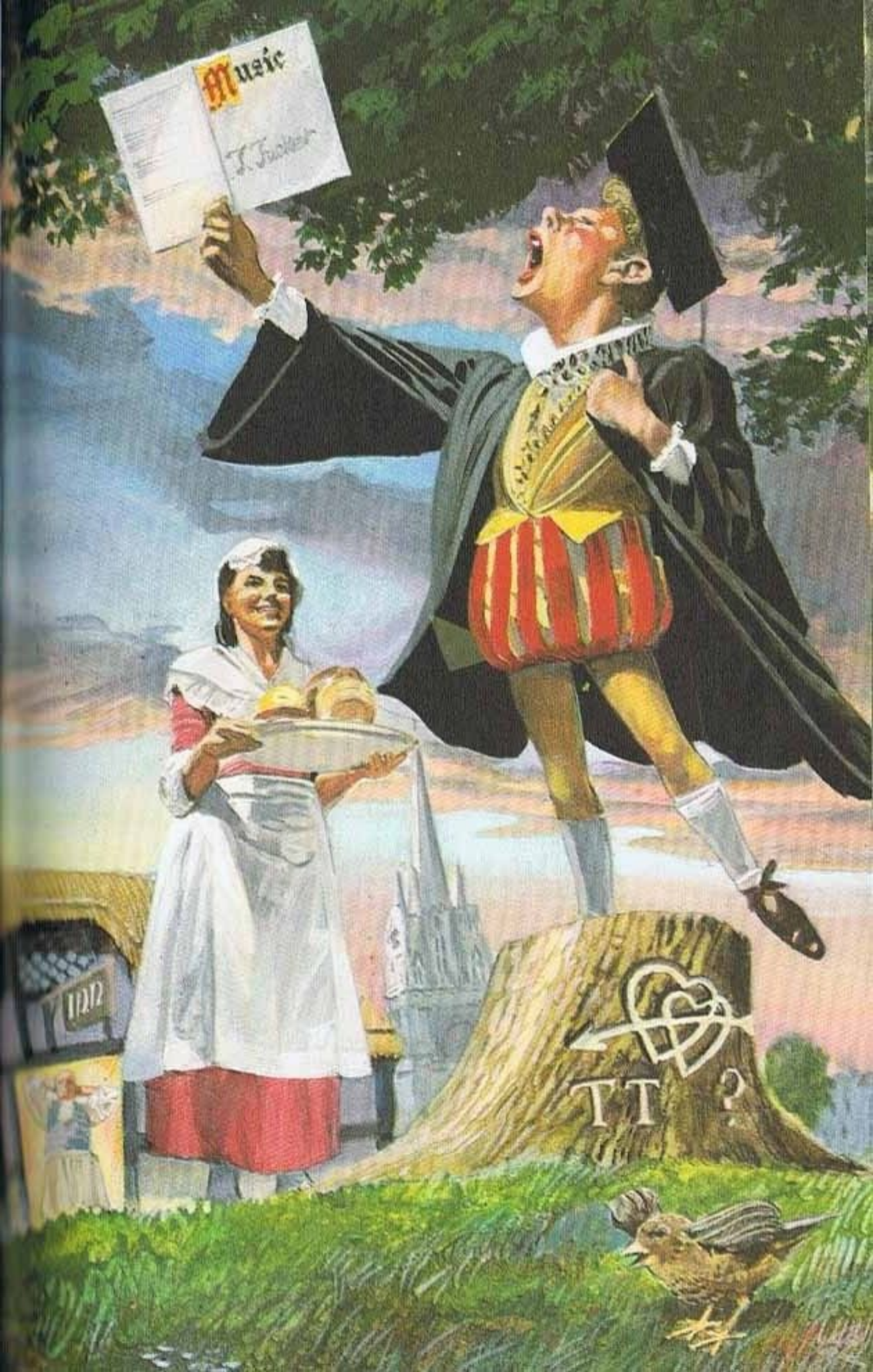


Little Tommy Tucker,
Sings for his supper :

What shall we give him ?
White bread and butter.

How will he cut it
Without a knife ?

How will he marry
Without a wife ?



See-saw, Margery Daw,

Johnny shall have

a new master ;

He shall have

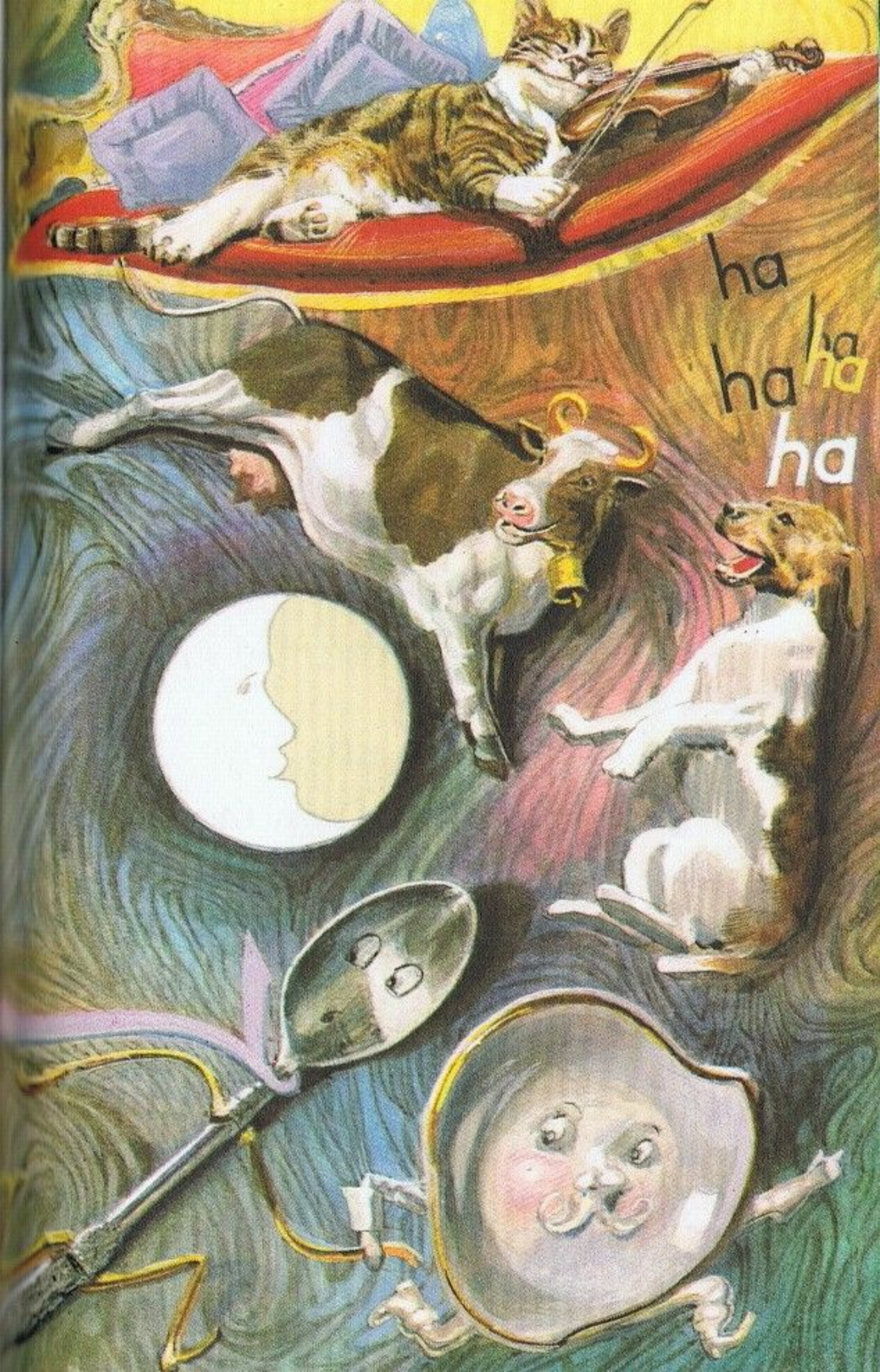
but a penny a day,

Because he can't work

any faster.



Hey diddle diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon ;
The little dog laughed
To see such fun,
And the dish ran away
with the spoon.



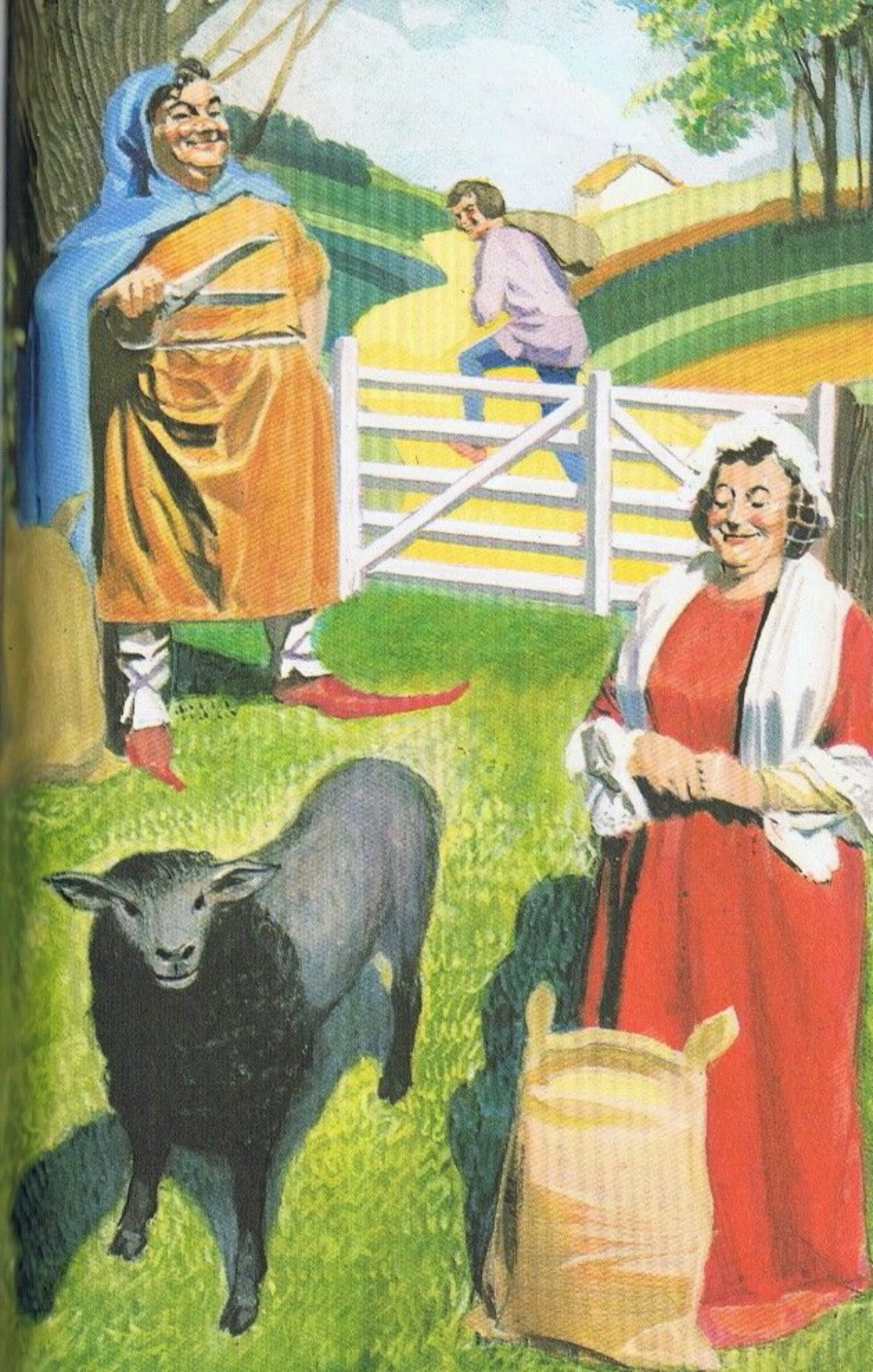
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Baa, baa, black sheep,
Have you any wool?

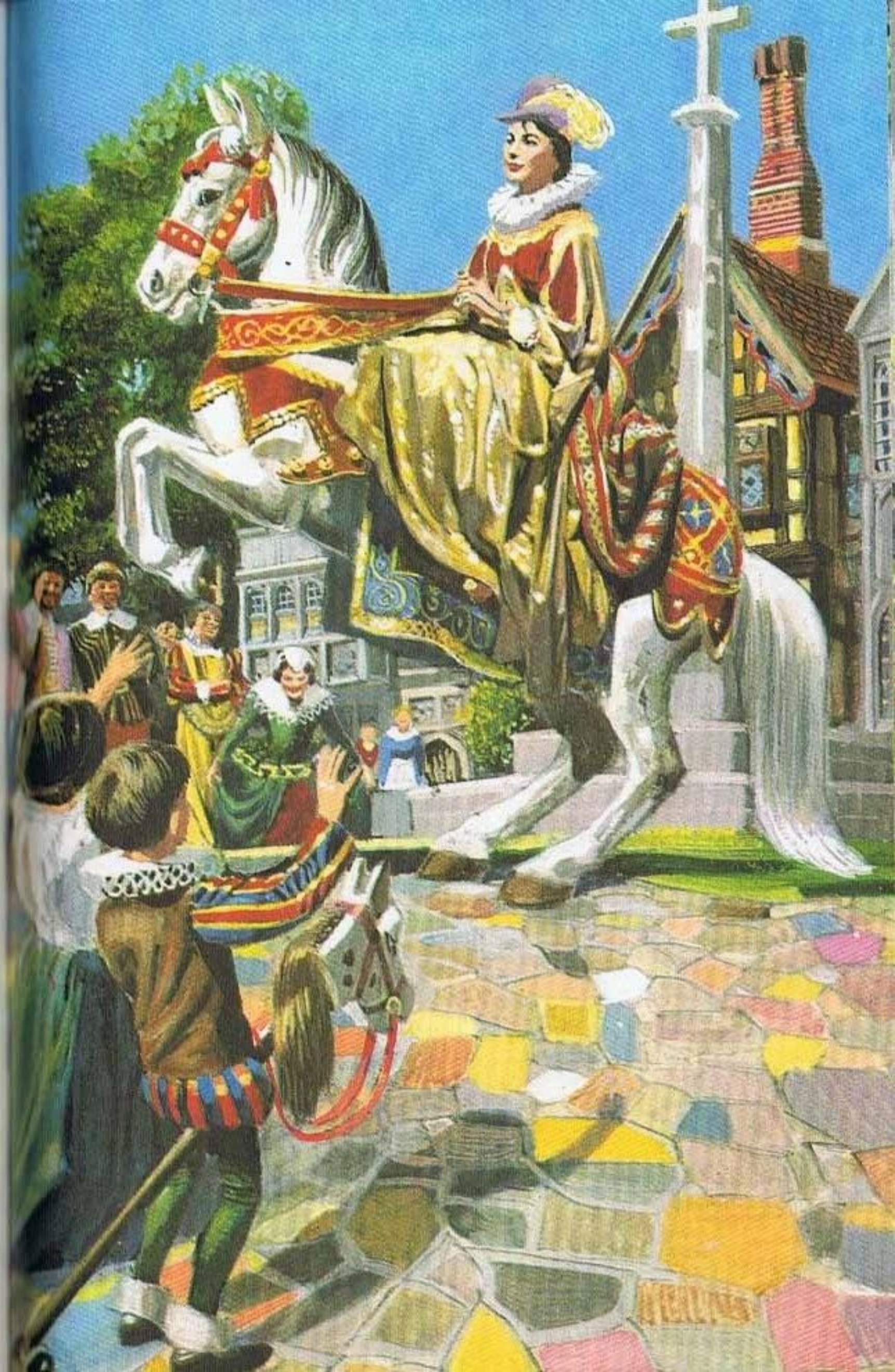
Yes, sir, yes, sir,
Three bags full;

One for the master,
And one for the dame,

And one for the little boy
Who lives down the lane.



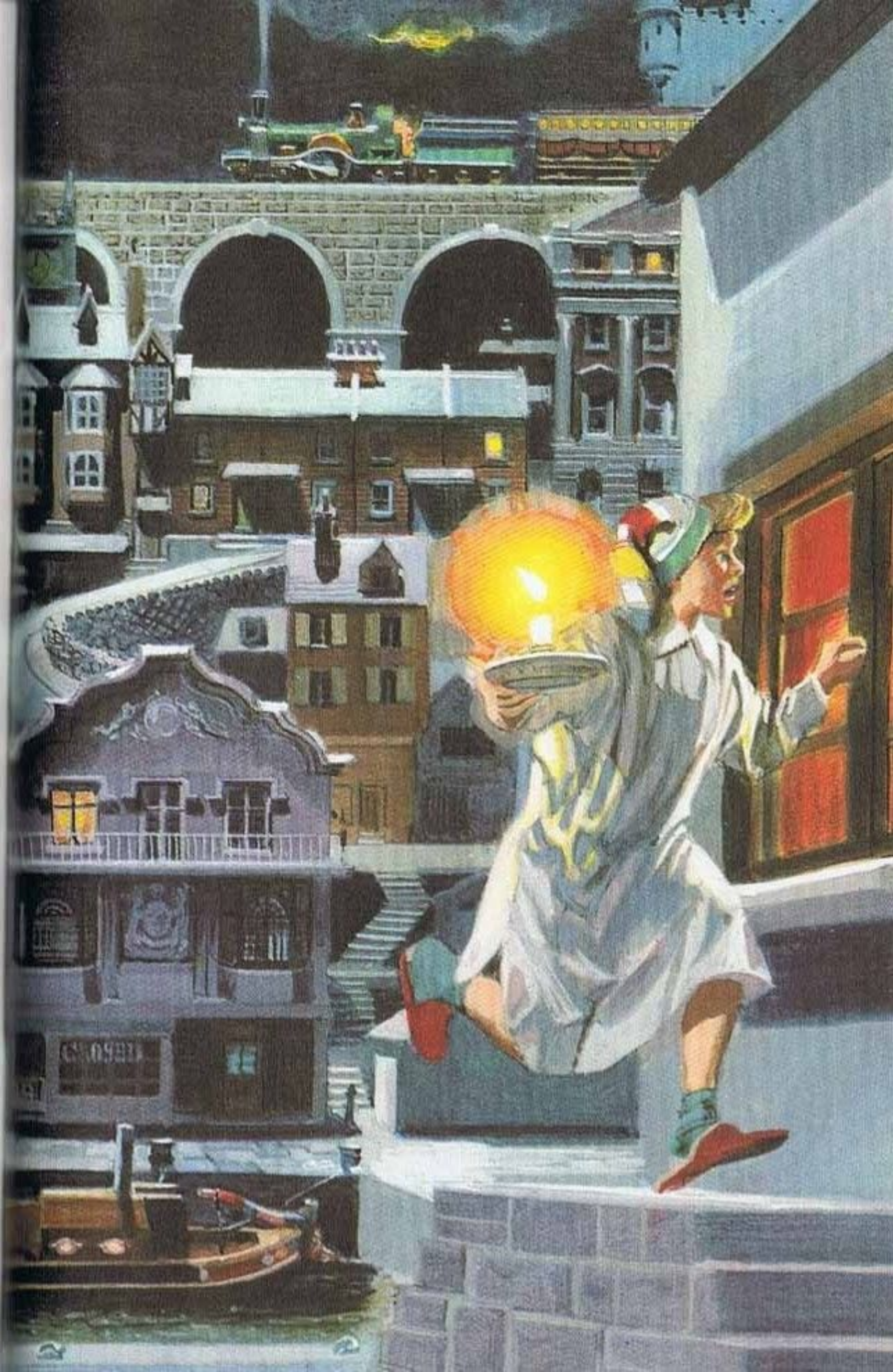
Ride a cock-horse
to Banbury Cross,
To see a fine lady
upon a white horse ;
Rings on her fingers
and bells on her toes,
She shall have music
wherever she goes.



I love little pussy,
Her coat is so warm,
And if I don't hurt her
She'll do me no harm.
So I'll not pull her tail,
Nor drive her away,
But pussy and I
Very gently will play.



Wee Willie Winkie
runs through the town,
Up-stairs and downstairs
in his night-gown,
Knocking on the window,
crying through the lock,
Are the children all in bed,
for it's past eight-o'clock?





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